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## **Summary**

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This grant resulted in 46 publications (which are listed below). In addition, a graduate level textbook entitled "Nonlinear Optical Spectroscopy: The Density Matrix Perspective" by

S. Mukamel is being completed. The book develops a unified theoretical microscopic treatment of the optical nonlinear response of molecular, conjugated-polymer, and semiconductor materials.

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12. "Note on Retardation Effects in the Dielectric Optical Response", V. M. Agranovich and S. Mukamel, Solid State Communication, **80**, 85-88 (1991).
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Dr. Y.J. Yan, Presently at the University of California at San Diego;

Dr. Jan Rafal Kuklinski, Presently at the Institute for Theoretical Physics, Warsaw;

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Fellow of the American Physical Society (elected 1987)

Fellow of the Optical Society of America (elected 1989)

Advisory Editor, Chemical Physics Letters (1990 - Present)

Guest Editor, Special Issue of *Journal of Physical Chemistry*, "Charge Transfer in Restricted Geometries" (April, 1992)

### **Committees and Chairmanships**

Chairman of a conference on Charge Transfer in Restricted Geometries, Science and Technology Center, University of Rochester, July 1991

Member, Steering Committee of NSF Center for PhotoInduced Charge Transfer, University of Rochester (1991-Present)

Member of a National Science Foundation Review Panel on Material Science 1992

### **Invited Presentations**

University of Rochester, Rochester, New York, "Nonlinear Molecular Susceptibilities: Beyond the Local Field Approximation", 1989 ACS Spring Symposium, April 1989

Columbia University, New York, New York, "Solvation Dynamics in Nonlinear Optical Processes and Electron Transfer", May 1989

Israel, The 22nd Jerusalem Symposium on Quantum Chemistry and Biochemistry: *Perspectives in Photosynthesis*, "Unified Description of Electron Transfer and Nonlinear Optical Spectroscopy", May 1989

Universität Bern, Institut für Anorganische und Physikalische Chemie, Switzerland, "Solvation Dynamics in Nonlinear Optical Lineshapes and Electron Transfer", May 1989

Cambridge University, Cambridge, England, "Solvation Dynamics and Intermolecular Forces in Nonlinear Optical Susceptibilities in Condensed Phases", May 1989

4th International Conference on Time-Resolved Vibrational Spectroscopy, Princeton, New Jersey, "Unified Description of Time and Frequency Resolved Four Wave Mixing Spectroscopies in Solution", June 1989

AT&T Bell Laboratories, Murray Hill, New Jersey, "Polaritons and Superradiance in Nonlinear Susceptibilities of Molecular Crystals and Aggregates", June 1989



Coherence and Quantum Optics VI Conference, "Polaritons and Retarded Interactions in Nonlinear Optical Susceptibilities", Rochester, New York, June 1989

Vanderbilt University, "Femtosecond Spectroscopy: A Probe for Chemical and Solvation Dynamics", Nashville, Tennessee, July 1989

Gordon Conference on Nonlinear Optics and Lasers, Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, "Nonlinear Optics in Molecular Aggregates and Crystals", July 1989

American Chemical Society National Meeting, "Femtosecond Pump-Probe and Related Spectroscopies: A Liouville-Space Theory", Miami, Florida, September 1989

University of Rochester Science and Technology Center, "Electron Transfer and Solvation Dynamics in Condensed Phases", Rochester, New York, September 1989.

Air Force Annual Contractors Meeting, "Nonlinear Susceptibilities in Molecular Aggregates: Is  $\chi^{(3)}$  Enhanced by Size?", Long Beach, California, September 1989.

University of California, Los Angeles, "Femtosecond Nonlinear Spectroscopy: Coherent Vibrations, Bond Breaking and Solvation Dynamics", California, September 1989.

University of Michigan, "Femtosecond Nonlinear Spectroscopy: A Unified View of Bond Breaking, Solvation Dynamics and Electron Transfer", Ann Arbor, Michigan, October 1989.

University of Waterloo, Regional Symposium on Chemical Physics, "Solvation Dynamics in Electron Transfer and Nonlinear Optical Susceptibilities: A Unified Description", Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, November 1989.

University of Pennsylvania, "Femtosecond Pump-Probe Spectroscopy and Four Wave Mixing in Solvated Molecules and Molecular Aggregates", Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November, 1989.

Princeton University, "Femtosecond Nonlinear Spectroscopy: Coherent Vibrations, Bond Breaking and Solvation Dynamics", Princeton, New Jersey, November 1989.

University of California, San Diego, "Femtosecond Pump-Probe Spectroscopy and Four-Wave Mixing in Solvated Molecules and Molecular Aggregates", San Diego, California, December 1989.

University of California, Riverside, "Femtosecond Nonlinear Spectroscopy: A Unified View of Bond Breaking, Solvation Dynamics and Electron Transfer", Riverside, California, December 1989.

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University of Bayreuth, Emil Warburg Symposium on Dynamical Processes in Condensed Molecular Systems, "Femtosecond Nonlinear Spectroscopy of Solvated and Aggregated Polyatomic Molecules", Bayreuth, Germany, April 1990.

Institut für Theoretische Physik der Universität Frankfurt, "Nonlinear Optics and Superradiance in Molecular and Semiconductor Aggregates", Frankfurt, Germany, April 1990.

Max-Planck-Institut für Biophysikalische Chemie, "Femtosecond Spectroscopy, Nonlinear Optics and Superradiance in Solvated and Aggregated Molecules", Göttingen, Germany, April 1990.

Optical Society of America, Ultrafast Phenomena Topical Meeting, Monterey, California, "Femtosecond Pump-Probe and Photon Echo Spectroscopy of Solvated and Aggregated Polyatomic Molecules", May 1990.

Optical Society of America, International Quantum Electronic Conference, Anaheim, California, "Nonlinear Susceptibilities of Solvated Molecules and Molecular Aggregates", May 1990.

University of Rochester, Center for Photoinduced Charge Transfer Symposium on Photoinduced Charge Transfer, "Optical Nonlinearities in Semiconductors and Microstructures", Rochester, New York, June 1990.

Air Force Annual Contractors Meeting, "Nonlinear Susceptibilities of Molecular and Semiconductor Microstructures", Washington, DC, June 1990.

Seventh American Conference on Theoretical Chemistry, "Cooperative Effects and Coherence Size in Nonlinear Susceptibilities of Molecular Assemblies", San Diego, California, July 1990

American Physical Society, Sixth Interdisciplinary Laser Science Conference (ILS-VI), "Ultrafast Nonlinear Spectroscopy of Isolated, Solvated and Aggregated Molecules", Minneapolis, Minnesota, September 1990.

American Chemical Society Fall Symposium, University of Rochester, "Femtosecond Spectroscopy of Solvated and Aggregated Molecules", Rochester, New York, October 1990.

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AT&T Bell Laboratories Murry Hill, "Cooperative Effects and Superradiance in Nonlinear Susceptibilities", January 1991.

Eastman Kodak Company, "Nonlinear Optical Response of Solvated and Aggregated Dyes", February 1991

Sanibel Symposium on Photodissociation and Fast Spectroscopy, "Femtosecond Spectroscopy of Isolated and Solvated Polyatomic Molecules", St. Augustine, Florida, March 1991.

IBM Corporation - Thomas J. Watson Research Center, "Nonlinear Optical Response of Isolated and Aggregated Molecules", Yorktown Heights, New York, April 1991.

NATO Conference on Coherence Phenomena in Atoms and Molecules in Laser Fields, "Femtosecond Spectroscopy of Isolated, Solvated and Aggregated Molecules", Niagara, Ontario, Canada, May 1991.

29th Yamada Conference on Dynamics and Mechanisms of Photoinduced Electron Transfer and Related Phenomena, "Solvation Dynamics in Electron Transfer and Femtosecond Nonlinear Spectroscopy", Osaka, Japan, May 1991.

Institute of Molecular Science, "Nonlinear Optical Response of Isolated and Aggregated Molecules", Okazaki, Japan, May 1991.

NTT Electrical Communication Laboratory, "Electron Coherence-size and Optical Nonlinearities in Restricted Geometries", Tokai, Ibaraki, Japan, May 1991.

NTT Research Laboratory, "Cooperative Effects and Superradiance in Molecular and Semiconductor Clusters", Musashino-shi, Tokyo, Japan, May 1991.

University of Tokyo, "Electron Coherence-Size and Optical Nonlinearities in Restricted Geometries", Tokyo, Japan, May 1991.

Fuji Photo Ashigara Research Labs, "Coherence-size and Superradiance in the Radiative Decay of J-Aggregates", Odawara, Japan, May 1991.

Fifth International Conference on Time Resolved Vibrational Spectroscopy. "Ultrafast Four Wave Mixing Spectroscopy of Solvated Polyatomics and Molecular Aggregates", Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan, June 1991.

Workshop on Pulse Shapes and Quantum Control in External Fields, "Nonlinear Optical Response in Liouville Space", Telluride, Colorado, July 1991.

International Conference on Optical Probes of Conjugated Polymers, "Exciton Coherence Length and Nonlinear Optical Response of Conjugated Polymers", Snowbird, Utah, August 1991.

American Chemical Society National Meeting - Symposium on Energy Transfer and Relaxation in Condensed Phases, "Exciton Coherence-Size and Optical Nonlinearities in Restricted Geometries", New York City, August 1991.

Eighth International Conference on Dynamical Processes in Excited States of Solids, "Coherence Length, Nonlinear Optical Response and Superradiance of Confined Excitons", Leiden, The Netherlands, August 1991.

Air Force Nonlinear Optical Polymers Contractors Meeting, "Nonlinear Optical Response of Conjugated Polymers; Electron-Hole Anharmonic-Oscillator Picture", Dayton, Ohio, December 1991.

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Cornell University, "Coherence-Size and Cooperative Nonlinear Optical Response of Conjugated and Nonconjugated Molecular Assemblies", Ithaca, February 1992.

University of California, San Diego, "Exciton Coherence-Size and Cooperative Non-linear Optical Response in Restricted Geometries", San Diego, February 1992.

American Physical Society Annual Meeting, "Coherence-Size and Cooperative Non-Linear Optical Response in Confined Systems", Indianapolis, March 1992.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, "Nonlinear Optical Response of Conjugated Polymers: Electron-Hole Anharmonic-Oscillator Picture", Washington, DC, May 1992.

Sandia National Laboratories, "Quasiparticle Exciton Representation of Frequency Dispersed Optical Nonlinearities of Conjugated Polyenes", Albuquerque, New Mexico, May 1992.

Second French-Israeli Symposium on Nonlinear Optics, "Nonlinear Optical Response of Molecular and Semiconductor Nanostructures", Port-Barcarès, France, May 1992.

Gordon Conference on Electronic Processes in Organic Materials, "Coherence Size and Nonlinear Optical Response in Confined Systems", Andover, New Hampshire, July 1992.

US China Binational Workshop on Photoinduced Charge Transfer, "Charge Transfer Excitons in Optical Nonlinearities of Molecular Nanostructures and Conjugated Polymers", Academia Sinica, Beijing, China, August 1992.

University of Beijing, Department of Physics, "Cooperative Nonlinear Optical Response of Molecular and Semiconductor Nanostructures" Beijing, China, September 1992.

University of Michigan, Department of Chemistry, "Cooperative and Ultrafast Nonlinear Optical Spectroscopy of Confined Excitons and Molecular Nanostructures", Ann Arbor, Michigan, October 1992.

University of Indiana, Department of Chemistry, "Femtosecond Optical Spectroscopy of Molecular Systems in Condensed Phases" Bloomington, Indiana, November 1992.

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